

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 1531  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2013; March 19, 2013, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;  
1-4 April 18, 2013, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 18, 2013,  
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1531 By: Seliger

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to providing information to entering undergraduate  
1-20 students at certain general academic teaching institutions to  
1-21 promote timely graduation.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is  
1-24 amended by adding Section 51.9195 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 51.9195. INFORMATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS  
1-26 REGARDING BENEFITS OF TIMELY GRADUATION. (a) In this section,  
1-27 "general academic teaching institution" and "public state college"  
1-28 have the meanings assigned by Section 61.003.

1-29 (b) This section applies only to a general academic teaching  
1-30 institution other than a public state college.

1-31 (c) An institution to which this section applies shall  
1-32 provide to each first-time entering undergraduate student,  
1-33 including each undergraduate student who transfers to the  
1-34 institution, information in electronic or paper format that  
1-35 includes, based on a reasonable projection by the institution using  
1-36 the most recently available data:

1-37 (1) a comparison of the average total amounts of  
1-38 tuition and fees paid by a full-time student who graduates from the  
1-39 institution in the following number of academic years:

1-40 (A) four years;

1-41 (B) five years; and

1-42 (C) six years; and

1-43 (2) an estimate of the average earnings lost by a  
1-44 recent graduate of the institution as a result of graduating after  
1-45 five or six years instead of four years.

1-46 (d) An institution to which this section applies shall  
1-47 include with the information provided to a student under Subsection  
1-48 (c):

1-49 (1) a list of actions that the student can take to  
1-50 facilitate graduating from the institution in a timely manner; and

1-51 (2) contact information for available academic,  
1-52 career, and other related support services at the institution to  
1-53 assist the student in that effort.

1-54 (e) An institution to which this section applies may satisfy  
1-55 the requirements of Subsections (c)(1) and (2) with regard to a  
1-56 student by providing the student with information that is more  
1-57 specific than the information described by those subdivisions.

1-58 SECTION 2. Section 51.9195, Education Code, as added by  
1-59 this Act, applies beginning with undergraduate students who  
1-60 initially enroll in a general academic teaching institution for the

2-1 2014 fall semester.

2-2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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